

Autumn

Classic Tour

EAST KENT

25th - 28th

October

CANTERBURY CATHEDRAL

LEEDS CASTLE



'DARLING BUDS' FARM

REGULATIONS & ENTRY FORM

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INTRODUCTION

East Kent is an area Merlin Events has never ventured into so we now spend four days touring the attractive countryside and visiting historic and popular locations along the way.

From 25th to 28th October we base ourselves at the four star sea front Hythe Imperial Hotel near Folkestone.

On our first day we take a short drive to the Kent Battle of Britain Museum at Hawkinge. Housed in the original 1940 buildings of this second world war airfield, the museum contains the most important collection of Battle of Britain artefacts

in the country. Aircraft, vehicles, weapons, flying equipment, fine art prints and relics recovered from over 650 crashed aircraft.



Hythe Imperial Hotel

From Hawkinge we drive along the coast to Dover to visit majestic Dover Castle. Immerse yourself in the medieval world and royal court of King Henry II as you climb the stairs to the Great Tower. Take an adventurous journey into the White Cliffs through the maze of secret wartime tunnels and discover what life would have been like in the dark days of the Dunkirk evacuation. Above ground enjoy the magnificent views of the White Cliffs and the English Channel. This really will be a dramatic and memorable visit not to be missed.

Day two and we take a day off driving by taking a coach trip to historic Canterbury. No visit to Canterbury would be complete without an inclusive visit to the famous Cathedral. Also do not miss the medieval city streets, stretches of city wall, ruins of the Norman castle and St. Augustine's Abbey. Apart from our inclusive Cathedral visit this will be a free day to explore and enjoy Canterbury at your leisure.

Day three and it is back in our cars to head along the coast road to Dungeness. Then after a coffee stop near Rye we head inland to Rolvenden where we visit the CM Booth Collection which houses an array of vintage cars including a unique collection of 3-wheel Morgans.

We then take a short drive to the village of Pluckley to visit the Darling Buds Farm. This was the location for the hugely popular TV sitcom 'Darling Buds of May' starring David Jason, Catherine Zeta-Jones et al.

Our final day takes us through the heart of the East Kent countryside to Tenterden and

beyond to Cranbrook for a coffee stop. From here we turn north to our finish location - Leeds Castle. Set on two islands in the centre of a lake this has been described as 'the loveliest castle in the world'. It was home to six medieval Queens of England as well as being Henry VIII's royal palace. During your visit you can enjoy the treasures of the castle - paintings, tapestries and furnishings plus the beautiful gardens and lakeside grounds.

As is traditional with Merlin Weekend tours we conclude our four days in delightful Kent with a cream tea.

I hope you will join us on this very special tour featuring some exceptional inclusive visits to complement your highly scenic and pleasurable motoring.

Keith McGee



CM Booth Collection

REGULATIONS

1. ORGANISATION

The Merlin Autumn Classic Tour from 25th - 28th October 2018 is a Touring Assembly organised by Keith McGee of Dalkeith Enterprises Ltd, trading as Merlin Events, assisted by Richard Pither.

All entries and enquiries should be addressed to:

Merlin Events, 38 Kenmore Drive, Yeovil, Somerset BA21 4BQ.

Tel: 01935 474630 Mobile: 07767 200744

E-mail: merlinevents@hotmail.co.uk (enquiries only).

2. ENTRIES

Entries open with the publication of these Regulations and close on 25th August 2018. Entries will only be accepted if completed on the official application form and accompanied by the required entry fee. Late entries subject to space available. The Organiser reserves the right to refuse any entry without reason.

3. ENTRY FEES (ALL PAYMENTS TO MERLIN EVENTS)

Entry fee is £53.00 per person per day. For English Heritage Members a reduction of £15.30 per member (Thursday only - Dover Castle).

Please pay by one of the following:-

Direct to bank - Lloyds Bank Ltd.

A/c name: Dalkeith Enterprises Ltd. Trading as Merlin Events

Sort Code: 309998 Account Number: 00780127

Ref: Your Name/Autumn

Cheque to Merlin Events.

The above entry fees include:

- * Entry into the event on all four days.
- * Admission to visits as listed in para. 7.
- * Cream Tea at the Finish.
- * Souvenir Rally Plate.
- * Coach transfer (Canterbury)
- * Tea/Coffee at Registration.
- * Coffee stops where stated.
- * Detailed Route Instructions.
- * All administration costs.
- * On-tour management.

4. VEHICLE ELIGIBILITY

This event is open to any Pre-War cars and Post-War Classic cars introduced prior to 1990, plus later Sports and Grand Touring cars and other cars of special interest. The Organiser reserves the right to refuse any entry should the vehicle be deemed unsuitable or inappropriate for this event. All vehicles must be correctly registered, currently licensed, have a valid M.O.T. certificate if applicable and be fully insured.

5. ASSEMBLY, REGISTRATION AND START

Assembly will be at the four star Hythe Imperial Hotel, Hythe, CT21 6AE.

Registration will be in the hotel on Wednesday 24th October from 4.00pm -

5.30pm and for those arriving on the following mornings between 8.30am and 9.00am. Coffee and tea will be served during these Registration periods during

which the Route Instructions in the form of Tulip diagrams will be issued.

Breakfast each day will be available from 8.00am.

Participants not staying at the hotel may purchase full English breakfasts at £14.95 also dinner at £25.00. The Start will be from the hotel car park at 9.30am on each day with cars leaving in numerical order.

6. THE ROUTES

The scenic routes on A, B and unclassified roads will cover approximately 200 miles in total, enabling participants to enjoy the attractive countryside and villages along the routes.

7. THE VISITS

Thursday : Kent Battle of Britain Museum, Hawkinge, Dover Castle

Friday : Coach trip to Canterbury with inclusive visit to Canterbury Cathedral

Saturday : Coffee stop to be determined
CM Booth vintage car collection at Rolvenden
'Darling Buds' Farm at Pluckley

Sunday : Coffee stop to be determined
Leeds Castle near Maidstone

8. THE FINISH

The Finish is at Leeds Castle where a cream tea will be served from 2.30pm on Sunday 28th October.

There will be no element of competition on this event. However overall time schedules will apply to the Stopping Points and Finish location.

Drivers are requested to abide by these times and not arrive at locations before the scheduled times.

9. MAPS

Whilst a map is not required for navigational purposes, it is recommended that you carry a suitable map with you.

10. EVENT SUPPORT

There is no travelling technical support on this event. Entrants are expected to belong to one of the established breakdown and recovery organisations who can provide a far more comprehensive service than we can. Entrants should help each other and are expected to carry reasonable spares and tools.

11. SOUVENIR RALLY PLATE

A traditional styled rally plate will be issued with Final Instructions. This must be securely and prominently affixed to the front of the car and must not be defaced in any way.

12. ROAD BOOK

A Road Book containing detailed daily itinerary and Tulip diagram route instructions will be issued at Registration.

13. CANCELLATIONS

The Organiser reserves the right to cancel or amend the event if necessary. If the event is cancelled the entry fee will be refunded in full. If an entry is cancelled the entry fee will only be refunded less a £10 administration charge, if the cancellation is notified in writing by the closing date.

14. INSURANCE

The Organiser has arranged public liability insurance to the sum £2 million for those parts of the event which take place on private land. Entrants and drivers must have valid insurance in accordance with the requirements of the Road Traffic Act and relevant law applicable in Great Britain. Cars must also be insured to cover any non-competitive use on private land during this event.

15. HOTEL

The base hotel for this Tour is the four star Hythe Imperial Hotel, Hythe CT21 6AE.

The rates for Dinner, Bed and Breakfast are based on two people sharing.

Classic Room £81.50/per person/night.

Classic Sea View Room £20.00/per room/night supplement.

Executive Room £50.00/ per room/night supplement.

Deluxe Room £60.00/ per room/night supplement.

Junior Suite £110.00/ per room/night supplement.

Single Occupancy £56.50/ per room/night supplement.

Allocation of rooms at the hotel is on hold until 29th August 2018, after which accommodation will be subject to availability.

Entrants requiring accommodation should request a Hotel Booking Form which will be sent to you with your entry acknowledgement. You should then send the form directly to the hotel. Reservations will only be accepted on the official Booking form, not by telephone. Safe overnight parking will be provided at the hotel. Whilst every effort will be taken to ensure the safety of your car, no responsibility can be accepted by Dalkeith Enterprises Ltd., trading as Merlin Events or by the Hythe Imperial Hotel.

16. DOGS

Dogs are not accepted on this tour.

17. FINAL INSTRUCTIONS

Final Instructions will be posted to entrants one week prior to the event.

Please send your entry without delay to :



MERLIN EVENTS

38 Kenmore Drive, Yeovil, Somerset BA21 4BQ

Closing date : 25th AUGUST 2018



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ENTRY FORM

ENTRANT/PASSENGERS Please use block capitals throughout.
If an entrant is under 18 years of age this form must be countersigned by a parent or guardian.

ENTRANT MR/MRS/MISS/OTHER
FORENAME SURNAME
ADDRESS
.....
..... POST CODE
TELEPHONE MOBILE
E-mail

NAVIGATOR AND PASSENGERS

AGE IF UNDER
16 YEARS

1: FORENAME SURNAME
2: FORENAME SURNAME
3: FORENAME SURNAME

CAR ENTERED

MAKE MODEL
STYLE OF BODY COLOUR
ENGINE SIZE (hp/cc)..... REG NO YEAR

FEES PAYABLE

PAYMENT BY BANK DIRECT Refer to Para. 3
PAYMENT BY CHEQUE TO . . MERLIN EVENTS

1. THE ENTRY FEE OF £53.00 PER PERSON PER DAY £
FOR EH MEMBERS LESS £15.30 PER MEMBER (THURS ONLY)..... £

ENGLISH HERITAGE MEMBERSHIP NO.

HOW MANY DAYS ? **TOTAL PAID £** _____

WHICH DAY(S) ARE YOU ATTENDING? PLEASE STATE :

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BREAKFAST AND/OR DINNER FOR ENTRANTS NOT STAYING AT THE TOUR HOTEL

Will you be requiring Full English Breakfast at the hotel? Yes No How many Day

Will you be requiring Dinner at the hotel? Yes No How many Day

HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

Yes No

Do you require a Hotel Booking Form for the Hythe Imperial Hotel?

DECLARATION

You are required by Dalkeith Enterprises Ltd. to read and sign the following Declaration.

I have read the Regulations issued for this event and agree to be bound by them.

In consideration of the acceptance of the entry and of my being permitted to take part in this event I declare that my car as entered is correctly registered, currently licensed, possesses a valid MOT certificate if applicable and is fully insured.

Furthermore I declare that the car as entered is also fully insured for any activity which forms part of this event and which takes place on public or private land. In this respect I understand that no part of the event, either on public or private land, is competitive and that no timekeeping or pacemaking prevails.

I therefore accept full responsibility for my own actions and those of my co-driver and / or passengers and for the condition of the car as entered.

DECLARATION DATE

NEW TO MERLIN EVENTS? WHERE DID YOU LEARN OF THIS EVENT? PERSONAL RECOMMENDATION, MAGAZINE, CLUB, ANOTHER EVENT ETC. IF MAGAZINE, CLUB OR EVENT, PLEASE STATE WHICH.

POST NOW TO :

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38 KENMORE DRIVE, YEOVIL
SOMERSET BA21 4BQ

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